

SUMMARY OF 2019-2020 PROPOSED LOCAL RULE AMENDMENTS DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

Proposed Local Rule Amendment	Note/Explanation Regarding Proposed Amendment
LRCiv 3.5	WRITS OF HABEAS CORPUS AND MOTIONS PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 2255. Amended to add new subparagraph (b) to impose 200-page limit on habeas corpus petitions and responses, and 100-page replies, in capital cases. The Court may grant leave to exceed page limits. Subparagraph (b) will become subparagraph (c). Technical amendments to address electronic filing and paper filing.
LRCiv 3.6	REMOVAL TO FEDERAL COURT. Amended to require the removing party to identify the following 9 separate documents in the Notice of Removal: (1) Supplemental Civil Cover Sheet; (2) State Court Docket; (3) Complaint; (4) Service Documents; (5) Answers; (6) State Court Orders terminating or dismissing parties; (7) Notices of Appearance; (8) remainder of State Court record; and (9) Verification that complete copies of State Court documents have been filed. Further, inserts a new subparagraph (c) regarding timing of filing State Court record, at the time that Notice of Removal is filed. Renumbers subparagraphs (c) and (d), as subparagraphs (d) and (e).
LRCiv 79.1	CUSTODY AND DISPOSITION OF NON-ELECTRONICALLY SUBMITTED EXHIBITS, ADMINISTRATIVE RECORDS, AND SEALED DOCUMENTS. Amendments to LRCiv 79.1 as well as LRCiv 77.2 to allow the Clerk’s Office, which lacks sufficient storage, to return non-electronic trial exhibits as well as other exhibits submitted during the course of a case, to the submitting counsel/party. Technical amendments to subparagraphs (b) and (c) which will require the party to transmit non-electronic exhibits to the Court of Appeals if so directed; and permitting the Clerk, upon 30 days’ notice, to destroy non-electronic exhibits after the expiration of time for appeal or mandate on appeal issues.
LRCiv 77.2	ORDERS AND JUDGMENTS GRANTABLE OF COURSE BY THE CLERK. Amendment to LRCiv 77.2(1)(3) to allow the Clerk to issue orders “regarding exhibits and the administrative record under Rule 79.1”